



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Hirayanagi et al.

Application No. 09/749,865

Filed: December 27, 2000

Confirmation No. 7443

For: WAFER CHUCKS ALLOWING
CONTROLLED REDUCTION OF
SUBSTRATE HEATING AND RAPID
SUBSTRATE EXCHANGE

Examiner: Ram N. Kackar

Art Unit: 1763

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION
TRANSMITTAL LETTER

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the application referenced above.

NOTE: Request for Continued Examination Practice (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

- ✓ Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
- Previously submitted
 - Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on 10/3/03
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
 - Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - Other _____
- Enclosed
 - Amendment
 - Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - Other _____

Miscellaneous

- Petition for suspension of action on the application referenced above is under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- Other

FILING FEE					
For	No. after amendment	No. paid for previously	Present Extra	Rate	Fee
Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e)					\$770.00
Total Claims	11	- 46*	= 0	\$18.00	\$ 0.00
Indep. Claims	3	- 8**	= 0	\$86.00	\$ 0.00
Mult. Dep. Claims Fee (if not previously paid)				\$290.00	
One-month Extension of Time				\$110.00	\$110.00
Two-month Extension of Time				\$420.00	
Three-month Extension of Time				\$950.00	
TOTAL FILING FEE					\$880.00

* greater of twenty or number for which fee has been paid.

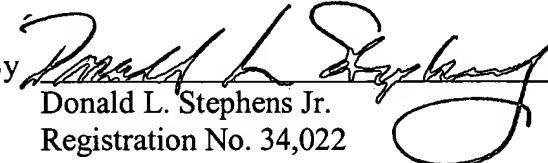
** greater of three or number for which fee has been paid.

- Applicant petitions for an extension of time for the number of months indicated above. If an additional extension of time is required please consider this a petition therefor.
- A check in the amount of \$880.00 is attached.
- Please charge any additional fees that may be required in connection with filing this amendment and any extension of time, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4550. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- Please return the enclosed postcard to confirm that the items listed above have been received.

Respectfully submitted,

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